News from Mrs. Barnett's Classroom December 6, 2019



Weekly Highlights

Writing- This week we worked with writing partners to make sure that we stayed on topic in our writing. Students continue to work on their nonfiction books. Later in the week we used a rubric to check on our writing and then they learned how to set writing goals. Students worked on meeting their individual goals during writing time.

Spelling/Daily 5- Students were introduced to their new word sorts on Monday. We also introduced their weekly sight words and students did different activities during Daily 5 to help them learn them. One of their favorite activities is to write magic words.

Social Studies- We started our new unit on Economics. Students watched a couple of videos through Brain Pop Jr. and we learned the new vocabulary **goods**, **services**, **consumer and producer**. We read the book "From Tree to Paper" and continued our discussion of what a consumer is and a producer. We created a Venn Diagram to compare the roles that it took to take a tree to paper and decided if the person was a consumer or a producer or both.

EE- This week we went out to our solo spots and identified natural consumers and producers near their solo spots. They were very creative and were able to justify their thoughts.

Good-bye to Mr. L- Students were sad to say good bye to Mr. L. We really enjoyed our time with him over the past 8 weeks.

Math Highlights

This week we started our Unit 4 Leapfrogs on the Number Line. This unit will focus on both open and closed number lines. We started off where students were active participants in placing and identifying numbers on an open number line, developing number sense and an understanding of number relationships in the range of o-2o. Later in the week we used a closed number line. Students used this tool to model both addition and subtraction problems within 1o. Students also practiced telling story problems and recorded equations to go along with them. On Thursday a new workplace was introduced called The Frog Jump Game. Students worked with a partner using cards, a number line and an add/subtract spinner. They picked 2 cards, spun to see if they were to add or subtract and then came up with a story to go along with their numbers. Students who had the greater sum or difference won the cards.

Math Vocabulary- add, addition, equal, equation, sum or total, strategies, problem solving, difference, greater than, less than, subtraction, scale, cube, rectangular prism, sphere, cylinder, solid, face, vertex and vertices

Math Homework- through p 56 and IXL for 10 min

Important Dates

- Sat, Dec 7th- Winter Marketplace/ Artisan Fair 9am-3pm in the gym
- Tue, Dec 10th-7-Min Run in gym @ 10:30-Parents Invited
- Fri, Dec 13th- Holiday Bazaar
- Fri, Dec 20th- Holiday Sing in the gym @ 8:30-9:30
- Fri, Dec 20th- Holiday Party in the classroom @ 11:45-12:45
- Fri, Dec 20th- Early Release @ 1pm

Important Information and Friendly Reminders

• 7 Min Run is next Tuesday on December 10th. Please come and run with our class. The kids love it and you can help them win the 7 Minute Class Run Trophy. If you'd like to participate, please make sure you fill out the volunteer form and contact Mrs. Schaefer to complete the mandated reporter paperwork. Please email Mr. Flinn if you have any questions.

December 10th

Barnett - 10:30 am

- Please see the attachment letter from Mrs. Meyer in regards to Erin's Law.
 Students will have a presentation on Jan 6th.
- Holiday Bazaar- next Friday is the Holiday Bazaar where your child may purchase gifts for their family members. We have 25 minutes to shop for immediate family members and later in the day another 25 minutes to shop for extended family. We love that your child has an opportunity to shop for their family. Please keep in mind that 25 minutes is not a lot of time to shop and get things wrapped. It can be difficult for your child to make choices for lots of people. Please keep this in mind when making your list. Thank you so much!
- **Winter Wear-** even though we haven't had snow in a while, we do go outside when it is cold. Please continue to send in your child's snow pants for them to wear when we go outdoors. Thank you so much!